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E.O. 11652: N/
TAGS: PINT, PINS, SHUM, ES
SUBJECT: CLASH IN COUNTRYSIDE RESULTS IN DEATH OF TWO
CAMPEINOS

1. A CLASH BETWEEN "CAMPEINOS", REPORTEDLY LED BY FECCAS AND THE UTC, AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD (NG) OCCURRED IN THE CITY OF ZACATECOLUCA (DEPARTMENT OF LA PAZ) ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 17. ASSISTING THE NG WERE SOLDIERS FROM THE ARMED FORCES INSTRUCTION CENTER FOR ENGINEERS (CIIFA). THE "CAMPEINO" GROUP WAS HOLDING A MEETING IN FRONT OF THE MUNIIPALITY, REPORTEDLY IN COMMEMORATION OF INCIDENTS THAT HAD OCCURRED IN THE TOWN OF AGUILARES TWO YEARS BEFORE. OSTENSIBLY ACTING ON THE BASIS THAT THIS GROUP HAD NOT SOUGHT PRIOR PERMISSION FOR THE MEETING FROM THE AUTHORITIES AND ALSO ACTING ACCORDING TO THE LAW OF DEFENSE AND GUARANTEE OF PUBLIC ORDER, ELEMENTS OF THE NG AND THE CIIFI DISPERSED THE "CAMPEINOS".

2. IN PURSUING MEMBERS OF THE "CAMPEINO" GROUP AND SECURING
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THE ZONE AROUND ZACATECOLUCA, AGENTS OF THE NG WERE ALLEGEDLY ATTACKED BY "SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS" IN THE CANTON OF EL ESPINO ARRIBA, FOUR KILOMETERS FROM ZACATECOLUCA. IN AN EXCHANGE OF GUNFIRE, AGENTS OF THE NG KILLED JOSE NATIVIDAD AREVALO RODRIGUEZ AND WOUNDED OSCAR GABRIEL CAMINOS ROJAS (WHO DIED SOON AFTER BEING TAKEN TO A HOSPITAL). UPON FLEEING, THE "SUBVERSIVE ELEMENTS" REPORTEDLY LEFT BEHIND SOME SUBMACHINE GUNS,

CARTRIDGES, AND A FLAG WITH THE INSIGNIA OF THE FPL OR POPULAR
LIBERATION FRONT.

3. COMMENT. PRESS REPORTS STATED THAT TWO FPL MEMBERS WERE KILLED.
EVIDENCE FOR THIS CONCLUSION, HOWEVER, SEEMS SOMEWHAT
FLIMSY AS SECURITY FORCES WERE NOT EVEN CERTAIN CONCERNING THE
IDENTIFICATION OF THE DECEASED.
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NOTE BY OC/T: MESSAGE DELAYED IN TRANSMISSION.

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